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MEMORANDUM

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents and
Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Mike Flanagan, Superintendent of Public Instruction 

SUBJECT: School-Aged Children of Military Families

As we contemplate Veteran's Day, we should keep in mind our school-aged children who are separated from their parents due to military service. As I did last year, I am asking you to voluntarily support school-aged children of military families by identifying military-connected children attending Michigan schools. The data collected will be used to evaluate student performance and direct education resources where they are most needed.

The report for Military Connected Children 2012 can be found in the Michigan Electronic Grant System *Plus* (MEGS+). Districts that have not previously submitted a report can initiate and submit their report. Districts that submitted a report last year can contact the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) to request the report be returned for modifications in order to provide updates. We are collecting 2012 information through December 31, 2011.

Instructions and other related information can be found on the MDE website at:
<http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-5236-252140--,00.html>.

Thank you for doing your part to assist our students who struggle because of family members serving in the Armed Forces. If you have any questions, please contact Louis Burgess, Assistant Director, Grants Coordination and School Support at (517) 373-4337 or burgessl@michigan.gov.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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